I. <u>Listing of Claims</u>

This listing of claims is being provided for the convenience of the Examiner. No amendments have been made herein.

1-37. (Cancelled)

38. (Previously Presented) A method of effectively treating pain in humans, comprising orally administering to a human patient an oral dosage form comprising two analgesic compounds and/or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof consisting of (i) nimesulide and/or at least one pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; and (ii) oxycodone and/or at least one pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

39-46. (Cancelled)

- 47. (Previously presented) The method of claim 38, wherein the ratio of oxycodone and/or at least one pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof to nimesulide and/or at least one pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof is from about 0.0001:1 to about 1:1.
- 48. (Previously presented) The method of claim 38, wherein the oxycodone is present in the pharmaceutically acceptable salt form:
- 49. (Previously presented) The method of claim 38, wherein the dosage form further comprises a sustained release carrier which provides a sustained release of the oxycodone and/or at least one pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 50. (Previously presented) The method of claim 38, wherein the dosage form further comprises a sustained release carrier which provides a sustained release of the nimesulide and/or at least one pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; and oxycodone and/or at least one pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 51. (Previously presented) The method of claim 38, wherein the nimesulide and/or at least one pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof is present in an amount from about 0.5 mg to about 1500 mg.
- 52. (Previously presented) The method of claim 51, wherein the nimesulide and/or at least one pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof is present in an amount of 100 mg.
- 53. (Previously presented) The method of any of claims 38, 47 or 49-52, wherein the analgesic compounds comprise oxycodone in an amount from 2.5 mg to 800 mg.